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SUBJECT: AUTUMN SCHEDULE OF WORKING PARTY 3 OF
ECONOMIC POLICY COMMITTEE AND PROPOSED INFORMAL MEETING
OF EXPERTS

REF: A) PARIS 8197, B) PARIS 6671, C) PARIS 18462

1. MISSION IS IN RECEIPT OF LETTER FROM SECRETARIAT
(FAY) OUTLINING AUTUMN SCHEDULE OF WP-3. LETTER
CONFIRMS WP-3 MEETING IN WASHINGTON ON AFTERNOON OF
SEPTEMBER 23 (REFTEL C), AND INDICATES THAT SECOND
FALL MEETING WILL BE HELD SOMETIME PRIOR TO EPC
MEETING NOW SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 16 - 17. FINALLY,
LETTER PROPOSES THAT INFORMAL MEETING OF EXPERTS OF
WP-3 TO DISCUSS COMPETITIVE POSITIONS AND EXPORT
PRICING (SEE REFTELS A AND B) BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER
14 - 15 IN PARIS. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM
MISSION ASAP IF THERE IS ANY DIFFICULTY WITH PROPOSED
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SEPTEMBER 14 - 15 DATES FOR EXPERTS GROUP.

2. TEXT OF SECRETARIAT LETTER DATED JUNE 21 IS AS
FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT

I AM WRITING TO INFORM YOU OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETING
OF WORKING PARTY NO. 3 AND RELATED GROUPS PLANNED FOR
THE AUTUMN.

AS ALREADY AGREED, THE NEXT MEETING OF THE WORKING
PARTY WILL BE HELD IN WASHINGTON ON THE AFTERNOON OF
SATURDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER. THE AGENDA WILL BE CIRCULATED
AS SOON AS THE PRECISE LOCATION OF THE MEETING HAS BEEN
FIXED. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE WORKING PARTY WILL BE
CONCERNED PRIMARILY TO REVIEW THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK IN
GENERAL, AND THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND EXCHANGE
MARKET CONDITIONS IN PARTICULAR, IN THE LIGHT OF
DEVELOPMENTS OVER THE SUMMER.

IT IS LIKELY THAT THE SUBSEQUENT MEETING OF THE
WORKING PARTY WOULD BE IN PARIS SOME TIME PRIOR TO
THE ECONOMIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING ON 16TH - 17TH
NOVEMBER.

ON 7TH MARCH, MR. DOBELL WROTE TO YOU NOTING THAT, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE WORKING PARTY'S AGREEMENT THAT THE
SECRETARIAT SHOULD CONSULT WITH NATIONAL AUTHORITIES
ON FUTURE WORK ON COMPETITIVE POSITIONS AND EXPORT
PRICING, IT WAS FOUND APPROPRIATE FIRST TO INVITE
WRITTEN COMMENT AND THEN TO HOLD AN INFORMAL MEETING
OF NATIONAL EXPERTS TO CONSIDER A REVISED VERSION OF
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EARLIER SECRETARIAT WORK. A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES HAVE

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GIVEN US DETAILED COMMENTS. THESE HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY VALUABLE TO THE SECRETARIAT. FOR THE NEXT STAGE OF THIS WORK, IT IS PROPOSED THAT AN INFORMAL MEETING OF EXPERTS BE HELD ON THURSDAY, 14TH AND FRIDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER AT THE CHATEAU DE LA MUETTE. (THE SECOND DAY MAY BE USED EITHER TO CONTINUE THE PLENARY SESSION OR FOR BILATERAL CONTACTS, DEPENDING ON WHICH SEEMS LIKELY TO BE MORE PROFITABLE.) THE AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THIS MEETING WILL BE CIRCULATED BY MID-JULY.

I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD INFORM YOUR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FIRM DATES OF BOTH THE NEXT MEETING OF THE WORKING PARTY AND THE INFORMAL MEETING OF EXPERTS.

ACCEPT, SIR, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.
J.D. FAY, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

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